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## Second District Man Sentenced in Connection with Shooting Death of Acquaintance

WASHINGTON - United States Attorney Jeffrey A. Taylor announced that William Hughey, 20, of the District of Columbia, was sentenced today by Superior Court Judge Frederick H. Weisberg to a total of 10 years of incarceration following his October 1, 2008, guilty plea to one count of Voluntary Manslaughter in connection with the March 29, 2008, shooting death of his acquaintance, Emidore Sinclair Nkol.

During the plea hearing, the government's evidence established, and Hughey admitted, that sometime before the time of the shooting, a friend and co-defendant engaged in numerous altercations with the decedent over \$50.00. At the end of one of the arguments, the decedent spit in a co-defendant's face and pulled out a gun. The decedent not only threatened to kill the co-defendant, but also his mother and grandmother. During the evening of March 28, 2008, Hughey drove three others to the area of the 1200 block of Kennedy Street, NW (PSA 402), where two of the other co-defendant's got out of the car with guns. Shortly after midnight on March 29, 2008, a co-defendant shot the decedent once in the neck and once in the leg before fleeing with a gun and ammunition that Hughey provided. The decedent died as a result of the two gunshot wounds.

In announcing today's sentence, U.S. Attorney Taylor commended the work of Detectives Thomas Webb, Konstantinos Giannakoulias, Robert Cephas, Anthony Green and Joshua Branson of the Violent Crime Branch. He also commended Paralegal Specialist Marian Russell, Legal Assistant Doloris Young, and Victim Witness Advocate Marcey Rinker. Finally, he commended Assistant U.S. Attorney Charles W. Cobb, who investigated and prosecuted the case.

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